

**HB626** MORATORIUM-ACADEMIC DISTRESS COMMISSIONS (Rep. Kent Smith, Rep. Teresa Fedor) To establish a moratorium on the creation of new academic distress commissions

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB628** RESIDENT EDUCATOR LICENSES (Rep. Dick Stein, Rep. Wes Retherford) With regard to qualifications for obtaining a resident educator license

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB630** ALTERNATIVE GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS EXTENSION (Rep. Tavia Galonski) To extend the alternative graduation requirements for two additional years

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB635** SCHOOL LICENSE PLATE PROGRAM (Rep. Dan Ramos) To create a school license plate program

**STATUS: House Transportation & Public Safety Committee**

**HB652** LOVING STATE INDEX (Rep. Stephanie Howse) To create the Loving State Index and the Loving State Index Commission to evaluate and rank municipal corporations in Ohio regarding critical supports that are vital to student academic success in order to identify gaps in opportunity for low-income individuals and minority individuals

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB654** APPROPRIATION-DISBURSEMENTS TO SUBDIVISIONS (Rep. Kent Smith, Rep. Kristin Boggs) To make a supplemental appropriation under the budget of the Auditor of State to make disbursements to political subdivisions appearing on the Auditor of State's fiscal caution, fiscal watch, or fiscal emergency list during the FY 2018-FY 2019 biennium

**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB663** COLLEGE PROGRAM NOTIFICATION (Rep. Dan Ramos) To require the establishment of a program to notify college students of eligibility for programs and services of the Departments of Job and Family Services and Medicaid

**STATUS: House Community & Family Advancement Committee**

**HB666** COLLEGE EXPENSE TAX CREDIT (Rep. Dan Ramos) To authorize a refundable income tax credit for the amount of undergraduate higher education expenses paid by or on behalf of a student to attend a public Ohio institution of higher education

**STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee**

**HB668** PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP FACILITIES (Rep. Tom Patton) To authorize state agencies, state institutions of higher education, counties, townships, municipal corporations, school districts, community schools, STEM schools, and

college-preparatory boarding schools to enter into public-private initiatives with a private party through a public-private agreement regarding public facilities

**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee**

**HB671 SCHOOL DRINKING WATER TESTS** (Rep. John Barnes, Jr.) To require the Director of Environmental Protection to adopt rules establishing procedures and requirements governing annual testing of school drinking water for lead, to name this act the State Water Quality Act for Kids, and to declare an emergency

**STATUS: House Energy & Natural Resources Committee**

**HB680 SCHOOL BUS SEAT BELTS** (Rep. John Barnes, Jr.) To require all passenger seats on school buses to be equipped with occupant restraining devices beginning on July 1, 2019, and to designate "Safe School Week."

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB682 HOPE FOR A SMILE DENTAL PROGRAM** (Rep. John Barnes, Jr.) To establish the Hope for a Smile Program through which buses are operated to offer dental hygiene services to Ohio schoolchildren and to fund the Program through a combination of cigarette and tobacco tax receipts, donations, and Medicaid and insurance reimbursements

**STATUS: House Health Committee**

**HB686 ABOLISH ACADEMIC DISTRESS COMMISSIONS-COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTERS** (Rep. John Barnes, Jr.) To enact the "Student Transformative Academic Restoration Act" to abolish academic distress commissions and to instead require the creation of community learning centers for poor performing districts, to establish an office of grants and philanthropic gestures within the Department of Education, to create the State Business Intervention Fund, to create a teacher education advancement program, and to modify earmarked appropriations for academic distress commissions

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB691 PROPERTY LEASES-SPONSOR CHANGE** (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To allow school district boards of education to terminate property leases with community schools when they change sponsors

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB693 STATE CERTIFICATION-GUNS IN SCHOOLS** (Rep. Ron Young) To require a state certification to carry a firearm into a school safety zone and to grant an income tax credit for school employees or contractors who have such certification

**STATUS: House Federalism & Interstate Relations Committee**

**HB702 ESC SOCIAL WORKERS** (Rep. Nathan Manning) To make an appropriation for grants to support the employment of social workers at educational service centers

**STATUS: Introduced**

**HB703** CONCEALED CARRY-PUBLIC PREMISES (Rep. John Becker) To enact the "Decriminalization Effort For Ending Notorious Deaths -- Teachers With Options (DEFEND-TWO)" to allow a concealed handgun licensee or qualified military member to carry a concealed handgun in certain public premises, to reduce the penalty for a concealed handgun licensee who carries a concealed handgun in a prohibited place, and to prohibit public employers and universities from disciplining employees or students who lawfully carry a concealed handgun on the premises  
**STATUS: Introduced**

**HB705** LOSS OF PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Catherine Ingram) Regarding the circumstances in which school district and educational service center treasurers may be held liable for a loss of public funds  
**STATUS: Introduced**

**HB707** ONLINE CHARTER SCHOOL ENROLLMENT (Rep. William Reineke, Rep. Keith Faber) With regard to the operation of internet- and computer-based community schools and to require the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review to review the Department of Education's manual on full-time equivalency student enrollment reporting  
**STATUS: Introduced**

**HB708** PUBLIC PENSION DOUBLE DIPPING (Rep. John Becker) To enact the "Double Dippers Inappropriately Privileged (DDIP)" to provide that an individual retiring on or after the effective date of this act from one of the state's public retirement systems who is re-employed as a public employee will not receive the pension portion of the retirement allowance for the period of employment  
**STATUS: Introduced**

**HB712** REPEAL PREVAILING WAGE (Rep. Ron Hood, Rep. Bill Dean) To repeal the Prevailing Wage Law  
**STATUS: Introduced**

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## ***SENATE***

**SB3** WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT (Sen. Bill Beagle, Sen. Troy Balderson) To designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week  
**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) Passed by House, Vote 93-1; Senate concurs, Vote 32-0**

**SB5** INCREASING INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS (Sen. Jay Hottinger, Sen. John Eklund) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for contributions to college savings accounts and disability expense savings accounts to \$10,000 annually for

each beneficiary, to create the Joint Committee on Ohio College Affordability, and to declare an emergency

**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0; Emergency clause, Vote 32-1**

**SB8** SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE AND TECHNOLOGY (Sen. Randy Gardner, Sen. Louis Terhar) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security

**STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective March 23, 2018**

**SB9** AUGUST TAX HOLIDAY (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes

**STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately**

**SB10** PRIMARY ELECTION REQUIREMENTS (Sen. Frank LaRose) To expand the circumstances under which a board of elections or the secretary of state is not required to hold a primary election

**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**SB15** COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require community colleges, state community colleges, technical colleges, and university branches to comply with minority business enterprise set-aside requirements, and to require the Director of Administrative Services to establish guidelines for these entities, and the Northeast Ohio Medical University, to establish procurement goals for contracting with EDGE business enterprises

**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB17** LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND ALLOCATION (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To increase monthly allocations to the Local Government Fund from 1.66% to 3.68% of the total tax revenue credited to the General Revenue Fund each month

**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB22** INCORPORATING FEDERAL REVENUE CHANGES (Sen. Bob Peterson) To expressly incorporate changes in the Internal Revenue Code since February 14, 2016, into Ohio law

**STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately**

**SB34** SCHOOL YEARS (Sen. Gayle Manning) To generally require public and chartered nonpublic schools to open for instruction after Labor Day

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB36** AGRICULTURAL COMPUTATION (Sen. Cliff Hite) To require that the computation of the capitalization rate for the purposes of determining CAUV of agricultural land be computed using a method that excludes appreciation and equity



buildup and to stipulate that CAUV land used for a conservation practice or enrolled in a federal land retirement or conservation program for at least three years must be valued at the lowest of the values assigned on the basis of soil type

**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0**

**SB39**COMMUNITY SCHOOL OPERATION (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding community school operator contracts, the operation of Internet- and computer-based community schools, and performance metrics for blended learning schools

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB54**SUMMER FOOD PROGRAMS (Sen. Edna Brown, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions

**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB72**PREVAILING WAGE LAW (Sen. Matt Huffman) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects

**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB79**STATE DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW SCHEDULE (Sen. Kris Jordan) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review

**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 24-9**

**SB82**SCHOOL ABSENCES-PARENTAL NOTIFICATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require a public school to place a telephone call within one hour of the start of the school day to a parent whose child is absent without legitimate excuse

**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**SB85**OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION (Sen. Matt Huffman) To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB88**SUBDIVISION COMMISSIONS-FISCAL EMERGENCY (Sen. Louis Terhar) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision

**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0**

**SB97** REGIONAL STUDY COMMITTEE CREATION (Sen. Frank LaRose, Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish a Regional Economic Development Alliance Study Committee to study the benefits and challenges involved in creating regional economic development alliances

**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB104** PROHIBIT SECLUSION USE-SCHOOLS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To prohibit the use of seclusion on students in public schools

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB105** MONTH DESIGNATION-OHIO PRINCIPALS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To designate the month of October as "Ohio Principals Month"

**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**SB111** SCHOOL ZONE SIGN LIGHTS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require school zones to be indicated by signs equipped with flashing or other lights or that indicate the times during which the restrictive speed limit is enforced, and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB123** PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINT PROCESS (Sen. William Coley) To limit the right to initiate most types of property tax complaints to the property owner and the county recorder of the county in which the property is located

**STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee**

**SB124** COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY GRANTS (Sen. Sandra Williams) To qualify students in noncredit community college and career and technical programs for Ohio College Opportunity Grants and to require the awarding of academic credit for community colleges' career certification programs

**STATUS: Senate Finance Higher Education Subcommittee**

**SB133** STUDENT DISCIPLINE-VIOLENT BEHAVIOR (Sen. Frank LaRose) To require the Education Management Information System to include information regarding persons at whom a student's violent behavior that resulted in discipline was directed and to require the Department of Education to submit a one-time report to the General Assembly regarding that information

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB140** PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To create the Public-Private Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to develop, enhance, and promote educational programs to address regional workforce needs; to create the Sector Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to identify and provide grants to industry partnerships; to support programs that improve access to workforce training opportunities for students; to support economic development and revitalization programs; and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB149** ELECTION POLLING PLACES-SCHOOLS (Sen. Frank LaRose) Regarding the use of a school district building as a polling place for elections

**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB151** SCHOOL-EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ADJUSTMENTS (Sen. Cliff Hite) To permit, rather than require, the School Employees Retirement System to grant annual cost-of-living adjustments to retirement, disability, and survivor benefit recipients and to reduce the maximum amount of the adjustment

**STATUS: Senate Insurance & Financial Institutions Committee**

**SB172** HUNGER-FREE STUDENTS RIGHTS (Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish the Hunger-Free Students' Bill of Rights Act to require schools to provide certain services to students who are eligible for free or reduced price meals

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB175** RECOVERED FUNDS-SCHOOL AUDIT (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding public moneys returned to the state as a result of a finding for recovery issued pursuant to an audit of a community school

**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB191** ESTABLISH SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAMS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To establish the Breakfast After The Bell Program for public schools

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB196** AGGRAVATED BULLYING-OFFENSE CREATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To create the offense of aggravated bullying, a third-degree misdemeanor

**STATUS: Senate Judiciary Committee**

**SB197** SCHOOL DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To require a tiered disciplinary procedure for harassment, intimidation, or bullying in school; to require annual student instruction about preventing such acts; and to create the offense of aggravated bullying as a third-degree misdemeanor

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB199** OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. Cliff Hite) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Introduced**

**SB203** MUNICIPAL TAX RULE REINSTATEMENT (Sen. Matt Dolan) To reinstate the municipal income tax "throw-back rule" used in apportioning business income among municipalities

**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB209** PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS-TIF (Sen. William Coley, Sen. John Eklund) To modify the conditions that determine the relative priority of property tax exemptions when a parcel subject to a tax increment financing arrangement concurrently qualifies for another exemption

**STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee**

**SB213** ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING PLAN (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To enhance economic and employment opportunities and improve local infrastructure in Ohio by providing additional assistance to workforce development and employment programs; establishing a revolving loan program for small businesses seeking to expand operations; extending job tax credits to smaller businesses; enabling expanded participation in public sector contracting by smaller companies; enhancing support for childcare centers; funding additional local infrastructure and public transit; authorizing tax incentives for hiring military veterans, for donating money to local programs assisting distressed communities, or for improving distressed property; exempting the homes of disabled veterans from property taxation; terminating the income tax deduction and reduced tax rate for business income; and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB216** PUBLIC SCHOOL DEREGULATION ACT (Sen. Matt Huffman) To enact the "Ohio Public School Deregulation Act" regarding the administration of preschool and primary and secondary education programs

**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Reported out as amended; Passed by House, Vote 60-32; Senate concurred, Vote 28-1**

**SB225** OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. John Eklund) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee – Substitute bill accepted & amended**

**SB226** SALES TAX HOLIDAY-SCHOOL SAFETY (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a permanent three-day sales tax "holiday" each August during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use tax, to authorize a county school financing district property tax for school safety, security, and mental health services, and to declare an emergency

**STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately**

**SB239** REGIONAL COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS (Sen. Matt Dolan) To modify the law concerning regional councils of governments

**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended; Passed by House; Senate concurred, Vote 29-0**

**SB240** REGARDING TEACHER EVALUATIONS (Sen. Peggy Lehner) With regard to teacher evaluations

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB241** ACCREDITED NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CATEGORY (Sen. Louis Terhar, Sen. Cecil Thomas) To establish a category of nonpublic schools called "accredited nonpublic schools" and to prescribe requirements and exemptions for such schools

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB246** STUDENT SAFETY ACT (Sen. Peggy Lehner, Sen. Gayle Manning) To enact the "SAFE Act" to revise the procedures for emergency removal of a student, to prohibit certain suspensions and expulsions of students in grades prekindergarten through three, to require each public school to implement a positive behavior intervention and supports framework in accordance with state standards, and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**SB258** AWARDING SCHOOL SAFETY FUNDS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To require the State Board of Education to establish criteria and procedures for the awarding of school safety funds to school districts and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB262** EATING DISORDER EDUCATION (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require public schools annually to provide parents of students in any of grades five through twelve with educational information regarding eating disorders

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB266** CAPITAL BUDGET (Sen. Scott Oelslager) To make capital appropriations and changes to the law governing capital projects and to make reappropriations for the biennium ending June 30, 2020

**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB276** EXPULSION OF STUDENTS (Sen. Jay Hottinger) With respect to the expulsion of a student from a school district, community school, or STEM school for actions that endanger the health and safety of other students or school employees

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB287** K-12 HEALTH EDUCATION STANDARDS (Sen. Vernon Sykes) To require the State Board of Education to develop and adopt health education standards for grades kindergarten through twelve and to require only venereal disease education standards and curriculum adopted by the State Board to be approved by concurrent resolution of the General Assembly

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB289** THREATS OF SCHOOL VIOLENCE (Sen. Stephanie Kunze) With respect to the expulsion of a student from a school district, community school, or STEM school for communicating a threat of violence to occur on school grounds

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB293** REDUCTION OF AGENCY REGULATIONS (Sen. Bob Peterson, Sen. Robert McColley) To require agencies to reduce the number of regulatory restrictions

**STATUS: Senate Transportation, Commerce & Workforce Committee – Substitute bill accepted & reported out; Passed by Senate, Vote 23-9**

**SB294** PILOT PROJECT SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNTS (Sen. John Eklund, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To increase the maximum amount that may be awarded to students under the Pilot Project (Cleveland) Scholarship Program

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB302** HEALTH AND EQUITY INITIATIVE (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To create the Health and Equity in All Policies Initiative and the Health and Equity Interagency Team

**STATUS: Introduced**

**SB313** COLLEGE APPLICATION MONTH PROGRAM (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To establish the College Application Month program

**STATUS: Introduced**

**SB314** MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) With regard to mental health services in public and nonpublic schools, to require school districts to employ school psychologists and intervention specialists, to provide an additional state payment to school districts for school psychologist and intervention specialist services, and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Introduced**

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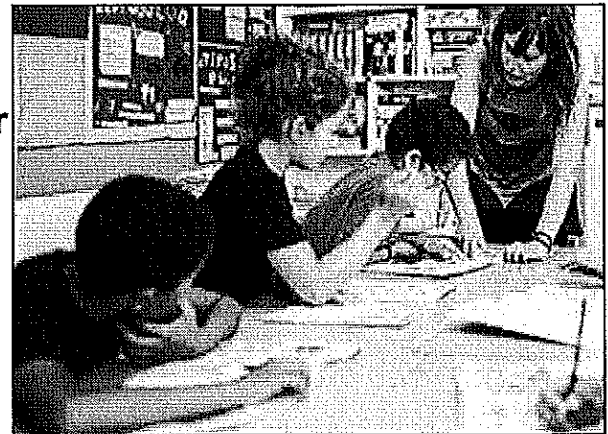
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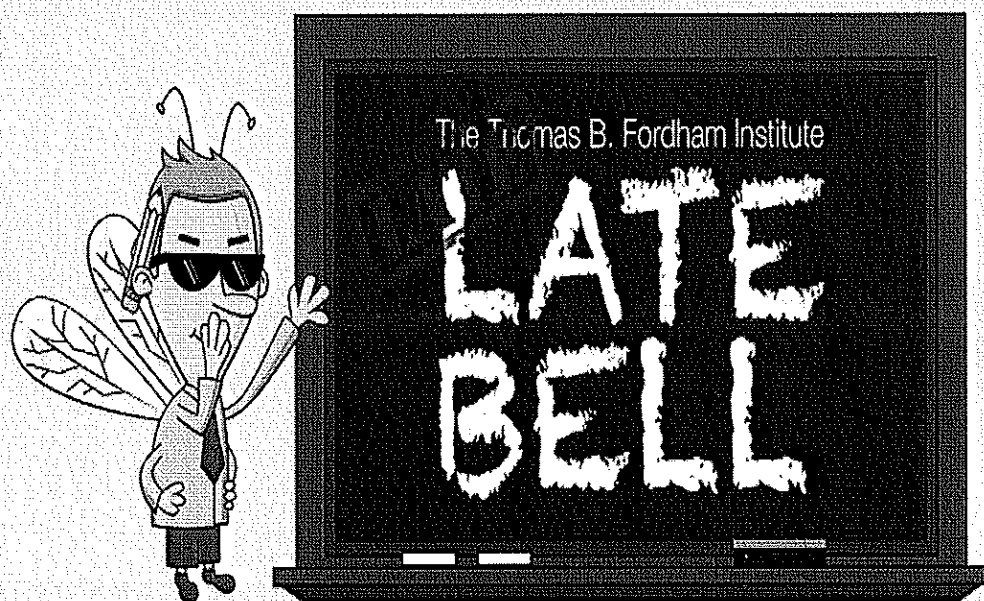
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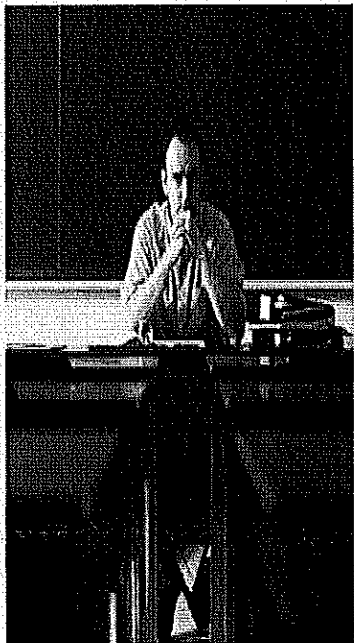
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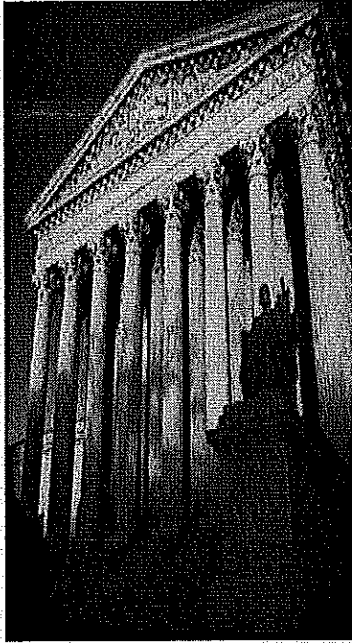


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**By Erika Sanzi**

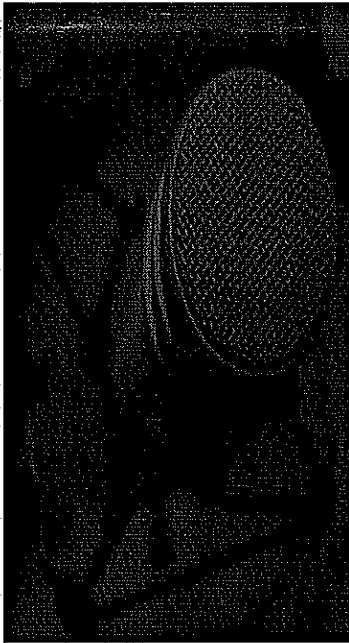
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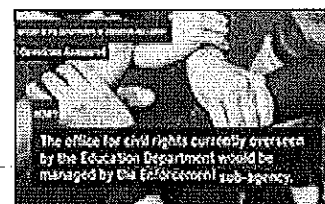
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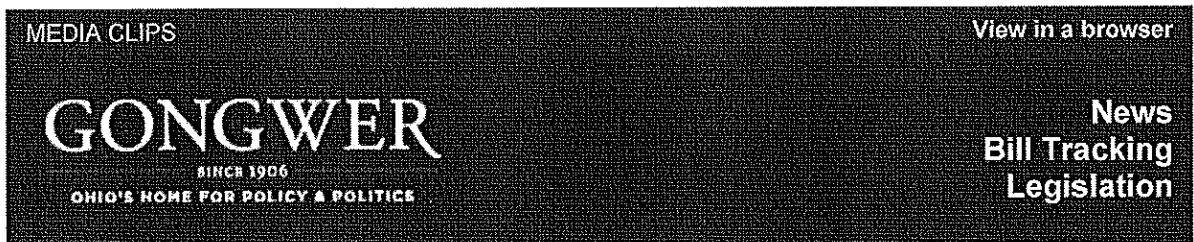
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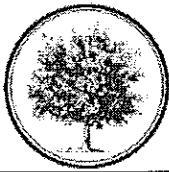
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Following last week's Supreme Court ruling in *Janus v. AFSCME*, Robert Alt, president and chief executive officer at The Buckeye Institute, looked at what the ruling means for Ohio's public employees and government unions in *The Columbus Dispatch* (complete piece below).

Alt also had a piece in *The Hill*, where he wrote, "Consent matters. But you don't have to take my word for it -- just ask the Supreme Court of the United States. In *Janus v. AFSCME*, the Court's five-member majority held that the First Amendment protects public-sector employees -- including petitioner Mark Janus -- from being compelled 'to subsidize private speech on matters of substantial public concern' without prior affirmative consent."

Read the full *Hill* piece [here](#).

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# The Columbus Dispatch

**Janus decision protects workers who dissent from union**

*The Columbus Dispatch*

By Robert Alt

July 1, 2018

In *Janus v. American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees, Council 31*, the U.S. Supreme Court decided that public-sector workers must affirmatively consent before any money can be taken from them for union fees.

Since Wednesday's ruling, folks on both sides have unfortunately succumbed to hyperbolic overreaction. The most cursory recollection of our country's founding reminds us that the same idea of consent was integral to empowering the government in the first place. Accordingly, it should surprise precisely no one that the court was concerned with the compulsion aspect of the case's facts.

Plaintiff Mark Janus -- an ordinary child-support specialist at the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services -- objected to paying mandatory union fees as a condition of his employment and lamented, "The union voice is not my voice. The union's fight is not my fight. But a piece of my paycheck every week goes to the union. I am not anti-union... But unions aren't a fit for everyone. And I shouldn't be forced to pay money to a union if I don't think it does a good job representing my interests."

The Supreme Court agreed with Janus that, indeed, consent matters. Common courtesy and basic human decency have always demanded it, but now -- in overruling its own 41-year-old precedent in *Abood v. Detroit Board of Education* -- the court found that the First Amendment requires affirmative consent when it comes to paying union fees, too.

Writing for a five-member majority, Justice Samuel Alito raised the court's objection to public employees being forced to financially support their unions, "even if they choose not to join and strongly object to the positions the union takes." Such an arrangement, Alito concluded, "violates the free speech rights of nonmembers by compelling them to subsidize private speech on matters of substantial public concern."

Unions will continue to serve their consenting members for generations to come -- only now they will do so more effectively, more efficiently and without trampling the constitutional rights of their members.

Any Ohio unions worried that *Janus* and other subsequent right-to-work laws will catalyze the end of unions and union membership can rest easy. Empirical studies and data from right-to-work states, including our neighbors Indiana and Michigan,

demonstrate that even after enacting right-to-work laws, union membership not only does not suffer but often increases.

In the first full year after Indiana's right-to-work law took effect, for example, the state added 3,000 new union members. Although union membership initially fell slightly after Michigan adopted right-to-work rules in 2013, it has since recovered, accounting for 15.6 percent of all wage and salary workers in 2017 -- up from 14.4 percent in 2016 and well above the national average of 10.7 percent.

After *Janus*, the quality of public-sector union representation inevitably will improve. Removing coercion and requiring affirmative consent will incentivize union leaders to be more responsive to the needs and desires of their union members, which will increase the value of union membership by refocusing the union's attention on increasing job satisfaction and working conditions for members.

Happier and better-served union members who have affirmatively consented to their union membership should be our shared end goal across the political spectrum.

Public-sector workers won the long-overdue right to be respected, irrespective of their individual decisions regarding union membership. And, in a nation founded upon the consent of the governed, the standard of consent adopted by the Supreme Court in *Janus* finally gives our hardworking public servants the voice and choice they have always deserved.

*Robert Alt is the president and chief executive officer of The Buckeye Institute in Columbus.*

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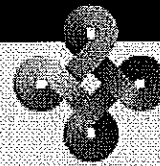
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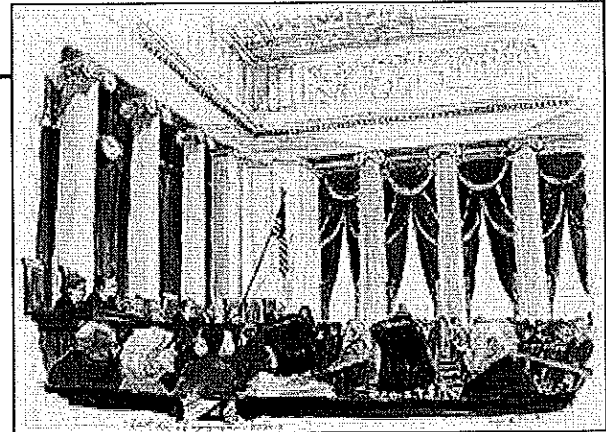
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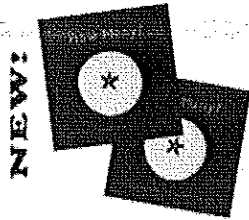
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## Rotunda Rumblings

**Just due it:** A “right-to-work” advocacy group has threatened Ohio with a lawsuit if it doesn’t immediately stop collecting union dues from non-union state workers. But [cleveland.com](http://cleveland.com)’s [Jeremy Pelzer reports](#) that the agency that handles payroll for state employees hasn’t taken any action so far in response to the June 27 U.S. Supreme Court decision in Janus v. AFSCME.

**Moving forward:** Supporters of a proposed November ballot issue that would set new standards for dialysis treatment and cap what for-profit

clinics can charge submitted more than 475,000 signatures Wednesday, cleveland.com's Kaylee Remington reports.

**Also moving forward:** Supporters of the "Neighborhood Safety, Drug Treatment and Rehabilitation Amendment" also submitted more than 730,000 signatures on Wednesday in hopes of making the November ballot, cleveland.com's Jackie Borchardt writes. The proposed amendment would reduce penalties for individuals convicted of nonviolent drug and drug paraphernalia possession crimes and direct the cost savings to addiction treatment and crime victim programs. The secretary of state's office has until July 24 to certify each proposed amendment collected at least 305,591 valid signatures.

**All aboard:** Columbus will have Ohio's first self-driving shuttles by December, writes cleveland.com's Laura Hancock. The city, state and Ohio State University are seeking proposals for companies that can operate a shuttle service downtown.

**Back from the dead?** The Libertarian Party of Ohio has filed petitions this week to regain Ohio "minor-party" status for the first time since the 2014 election. As Pelzer explains, if the party can get on the ballot this year, it's likely to run Columbus filmmaker (and anti-Gov. John Kasich satirical group founder) Travis Irvine for governor.

**Jordan fights back:** U.S. Rep. Jim Jordan, in an interview with reporters on the Fourth of July in Fremont, Ohio, again disputed claims that he knew Ohio State wrestlers had been sexually abused by a team doctor. Cleveland.com's Sabrina Eaton rounds up the latest in the nationally publicized story, including Jordan's assertion that an ex-wrestler making the accusations has sent him harassing emails.

**Inside the Statehouse:** Ohio officials laid the first cornerstone for the Ohio Statehouse 171 years ago. Cleveland.com's Laura Hancock shows the building's rich history with 16 images.

**He's running:** Literally. Cleveland.com's Seth Richardson caught up (no easy task) to Republican Attorney General Mike DeWine on the Fourth of July doing one of the things he loves best: marching in parades.

Richardson has an entertaining time-lapse video of DeWine logging nearly 8,500 steps before noon. The GOP gubernatorial nominee was of course accompanied by his wife, Fran, handing out her legendary cookbook.

**Where are they now?** The status of about 2,300 former students from the shuttered Electronic Classroom of Tomorrow is unknown, the Associated Press reveals. Many students from the controversial online charter school transferred to other schools, but the state doesn't know what happened to the rest, the AP reports.

**No reply:** "Records show more than 200 courts across Ohio failed to respond to Gov. John Kasich's executive order seeking more information on their history with the national background check database used in stopping gun-related crimes," reports Julie Carr Smyth of the AP. Those that didn't respond were mostly small mayor's courts, the report says.

**Kasich, the anti-Trump:** The governor is out with another op-ed, this time decrying President Donald Trump's trade war. The piece appears in the Financial Times.

**Unfinished business:** Ohio lawmakers sent a lot of bills to Gov. John Kasich before they took a summer break. But they left some high-profile legislation hanging, reports Carr Smyth of the Associated Press. That includes payday loan restrictions and a controversial "stand your ground" bill.

**Preventive measures:** The Washington Post looked at the case of the 4,000 eggs and embryos that were lost at the University Hospitals fertility center. The Post report features an interview with Ohio Sen. Joe Schiavoni who is working on a bill "he hopes will help prevent such disasters in the future and introduce penalties for fertility clinics that violate the new safeguards," Post reporter Ariana Eunjung Cha writes.

**For what ailes you:** If you're wondering whether your illness would qualify you for legal medicinal marijuana in Ohio, Borchardt created a handy list of medical conditions.

## Full Disclosure

Five things we learned from the April 9 financial disclosure statement of state Rep. Jeff Rezabek, a Dayton Republican who is resigning to become a Montgomery County Juvenile Court judge. Gov. John Kasich appointed him to the new post Monday.

1. Rezabek reported earning \$25,000 to \$49,999 last year as an attorney in private practice licensed in Ohio and New York. He made \$65,476 as a lawmaker, according to the Ohio Treasurer's office.
2. At some time in 2017, he owed at least \$1,000 to Nelnet, Fifth Third Bank, Day Air Credit Union, Bank of America, Credit First, N.A. and U.S. Bank. His campaign committee, Citizens for Rezabek, owed him at least \$1,000 at some point last year.
3. The Ohio House reimbursed him \$3,197.38 for mileage between home and Columbus. The Ohio Judicial Conference gave Rezabek \$173.25 for a hotel room during its annual meeting in Columbus, when he participated in a legislative panel. The Ohio House Republican Organizational Committee paid for \$133.40 in travel. The Ohio Chamber of Commerce paid for his \$69 lodging at its Policy Conference at Salt Fork in September. The Campaign for Fair Sentencing of Youth paid \$487.40 for his hotel, meals and flight to a conference last year.
4. He received an unspecified gift from Virginia Ragan, a prominent Republican donor, worth at least \$75.
5. School Choice Ohio Inc. paid \$33.66 for Rezabek to attend a "lunch and learn" session March 30, 2017. He received at least one Dayton Dragons baseball ticket last year, worth \$20.97, from the Dayton Development Coalition. He also received \$58 in food at a Dayton Dragons game from the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce.

## Birthdays

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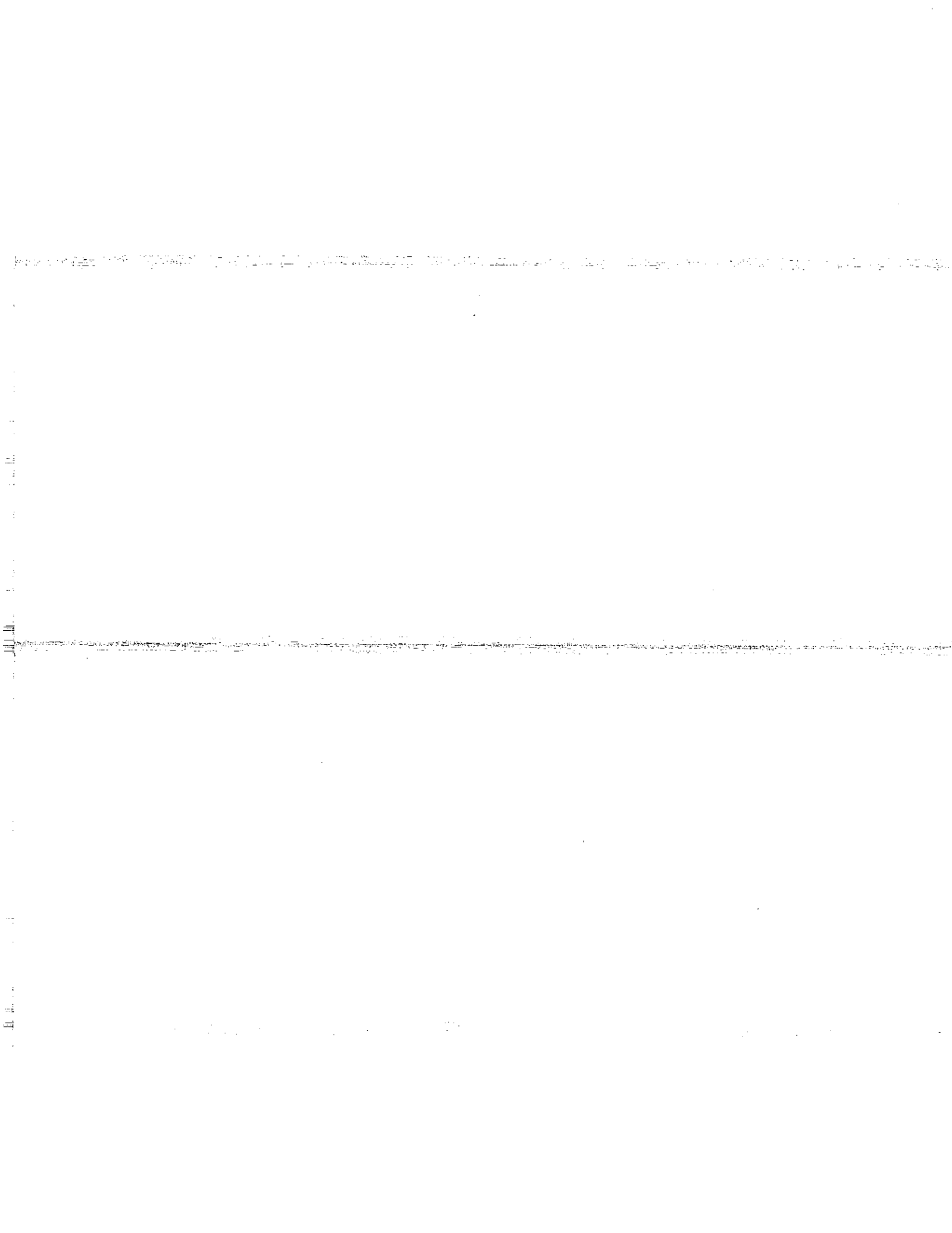
- Toledo Mayor Wade Kapszukiewicz, while presenting a key to the city to Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur. Kapszukiewicz took some flak from Ohio State University fans and the University of Toledo earlier this year for giving a ceremonial key to University of Michigan football coach Jim Harbaugh. Harbaugh, a Toledo native, headlined an event there in May that raised \$100,000 for legal aid services.

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### **Trump Defends Jordan as More Allege Sexual Abuse Cover-Up**

President Donald Trump told reporters that he doesn't believe the growing group of former Ohio State University wrestlers accusing U.S. Rep. Jim Jordan (R-Urbana) of not reporting the sexual assault perpetrated by Dr. Richard Strauss. Jordan maintains that he did not know about the abuse taking place, the *Columbus Dispatch* reports.

<http://www.dispatch.com/news/20180705/trump-says-he-doesnt-believe-allegations-against-jim-jordan-new-victim-emerges>

### **Right-To-Work Group Threatens Lawsuit over Public Employee Union Dues**

A Virginia-based group has threatened to sue Ohio and 19 other states, demanding that they immediately stop collecting union dues from non-union public employees in response to the Supreme Court's June 27 ruling in the *Janus v. AFSCME* case. The Ohio Department of Administrative Services says it has yet to take any action in response to the decision, *Cleveland.com* reports.

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### **Records Show Many Courts Skip Kasich Gun Law Compliance Survey**

While almost all of Ohio's common pleas, municipal and county courts completed a survey designed by Gov. John Kasich's office to assess use of the national background check database used in stopping gun-related crimes, over 200 courts were either non-responsive or returned partial responses, the *Columbus Dispatch* reports.

<http://www.dispatch.com/news/20180703/hundreds-of-courts-skip-kasichs-background-check-survey>

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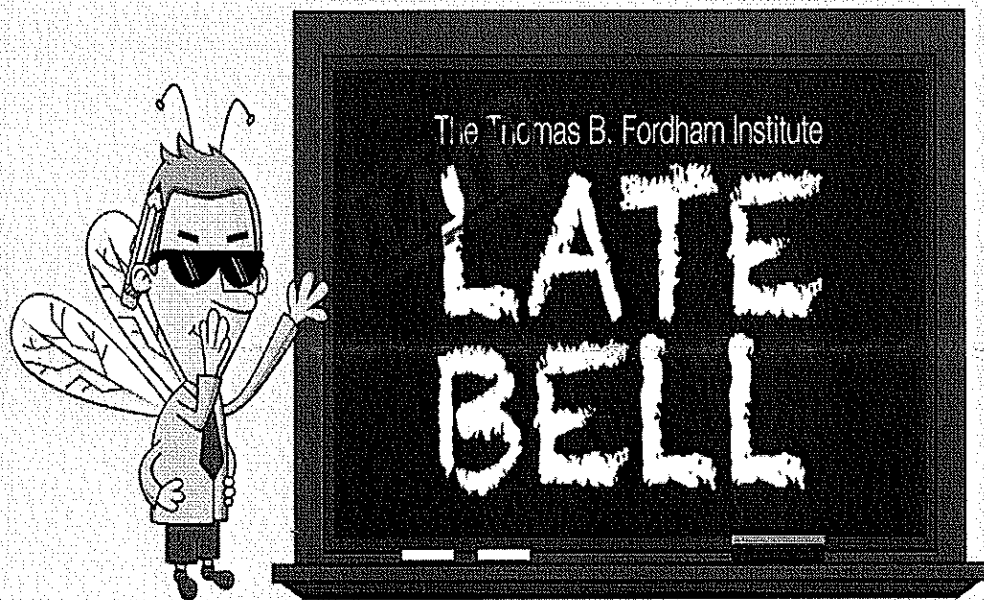
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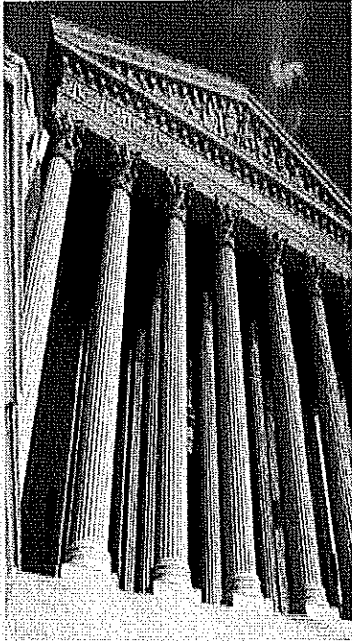
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Welcome to the newest edition of Late Late Bell. This week, Dale Chu argues that, *Janus* aside, collective bargaining still gives teachers' unions ample influence at the local level; Adam Tyner explains how technology could improve student motivation and change education; and Aaron Churchill, in two essays, bemoans low reading standards and misleading advocacy in the state of Ohio.

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## **Don't jump for Janus**

**By Dale Chu**

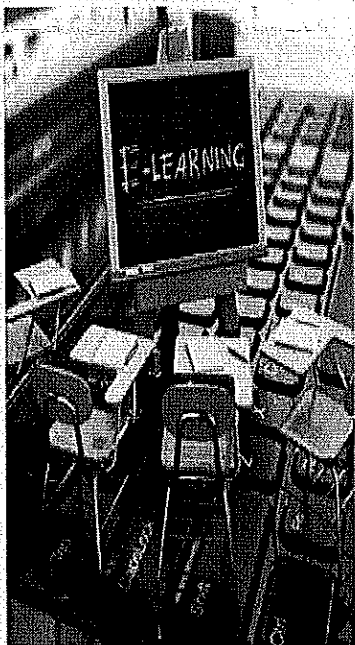
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## **Could education technology plus student motivation yield game-changing results?**

**By Adam Tyner, Ph.D.**

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## **Innovation Ohio's half truths about ECOT and school funding**

**By Aaron Churchill**

June 29, 2018 | Ohio Gadfly Daily



## When the standard isn't the standard: Ohio's early reading guarantee

By Aaron Churchill

June 22, 2018 | Ohio Gadfly Daily

### FORDHAM IN THE NEWS

"[Georgia] should increase charter funding further so they're on equal financial ground with their traditional counterparts. And district leaders should realize that the current approach isn't working and open their minds to public charter schools as viable solutions."



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**Amber M. Northern and Michael J. Petrilli | Atlanta Journal-Constitution | July 1, 2018**

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"The biggest open question related to online education is what is the best way to fund this and make sure taxpayers are getting what they think they are."

**Chad Aldis | Columbus Dispatch | June 19, 2018**

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It's a truism that there's not "one best curriculum" that fits all schools' needs. But it's also the case that some curricula are simply better than others.  
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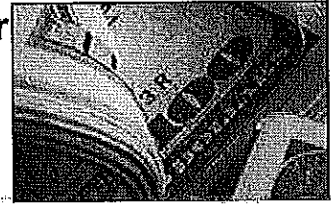
## Most Teachers Say Feedback Has Improved Their Instruction, Survey Finds

A new national survey by the RAND Corporation sheds some light on how teachers value feedback and classroom observations in evaluation systems. [Read more.](#)

## After 'Janus' Ruling, Teachers Are Suing for Return of Fees They've Paid Their Unions

"This lawsuit will enable teachers like me to recover the agency fees that we were wrongly forced to pay against our will," said one of the plaintiffs.

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## Parkland School Shooting Survivors Kick Off Bus Tour in Dallas

Survivors of the school shooting in Parkland, Fla., started their "Road to Change" bus tour June 7, promoting gun restrictions and registering voters,



while students with pro-gun messages held their own rallies in cities nationwide. [Read more.](#)

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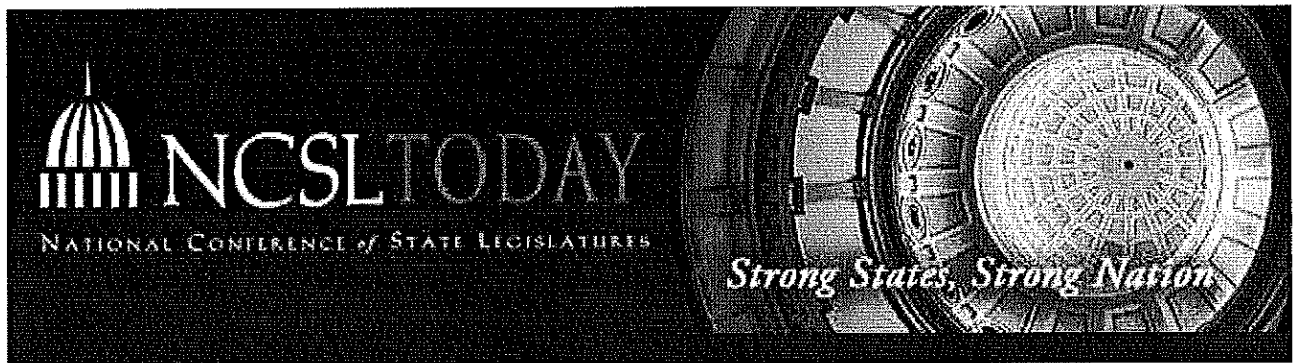
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*Stateline*

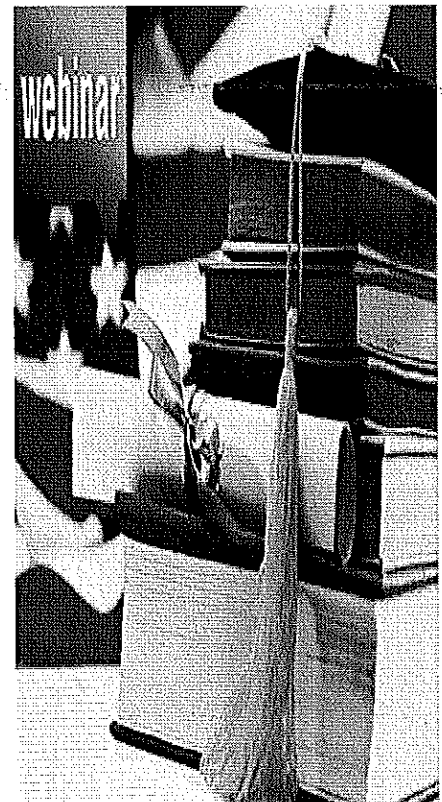
Unplugged wells can leak explosive gas into neighborhoods and leach toxins into groundwater.

### **At state level, GOP renews push for 'supermajority' for tax hikes**

*The Washington Post*

Florida Republicans are pursuing a plan to make it harder for lawmakers to raise taxes in the state, adding new hurdles for Democrats hoping to enact bold social programs such as "Medicare for all" and more robust education spending. **NCSL research cited.**

### **Insurers warn of rising premiums after**



## **Trump axes Obamacare payments again**

*Reuters*

Health insurers warned that a move by the Trump administration on Saturday to temporarily suspend a program that was set to pay out \$10.4 billion to insurers for covering high-risk individuals last year could drive up premium costs and create marketplace uncertainty.

NCSL resources on health insurances premiums and increases.

## **North Dakota measure would ban noncitizen voting**

*Associated Press*

Backers of a measure to change the North Dakota Constitution to explicitly bar non-U.S. citizens from voting say they have gathered enough signatures to get it on the November ballot. **NCSL research cited.**

## **Delaware lawmakers approve bill to prohibit pharmacist 'gag clauses'**

*Delaware Public Media*

Pharmacy Benefits Managers (PBMs), third-party administrators of prescription drug programs for health insurance plans, sometimes forbid pharmacists from telling customers about cheaper therapeutic alternatives, or disclosing when a drug might be cheaper when paid for out-of-pocket, rather than through insurance. = A **NCSL data cited.** NCSL resources on 'gag clauses'.

## **Janus ruling is a blow to public unions - especially bad for black women**

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## There Are Ways to Reduce Summer Learning Loss

Summer learning loss is real, and it adds up. Here are some tips on how districts, schools, and parents can help minimize the summer brain drain.

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## Teachers Cash In Selling Lesson Plans Online

Educators selling lesson plans online is becoming a popular side business. But some worry that seeing education as a "business," will lead to fewer free resources and less professional collaboration.

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Two second-year high school teachers read tweets with advice for new teachers and share their own lessons learned from their first year in the classroom.

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## Webinar: New Strategies for Reading Aloud to K-2 Students

The old-fashioned classroom K-2 read-aloud is changing. For decades, these cozy gatherings have focused on the story line, the sound of words, and developing a love of reading. Increasingly, teachers are using new

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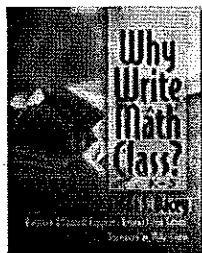
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Despite leaders' messages of defiance and solidarity, reminders of the Supreme Court's recent decision to abolish agency fees-and its financial implications for teachers' unions-were everywhere at the National Education Association's yearly convention. [Read more.](#)



## Teachers Just Want to Raise Your Taxes, Arizona Governor Says

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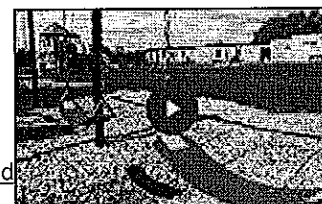


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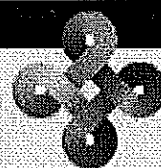
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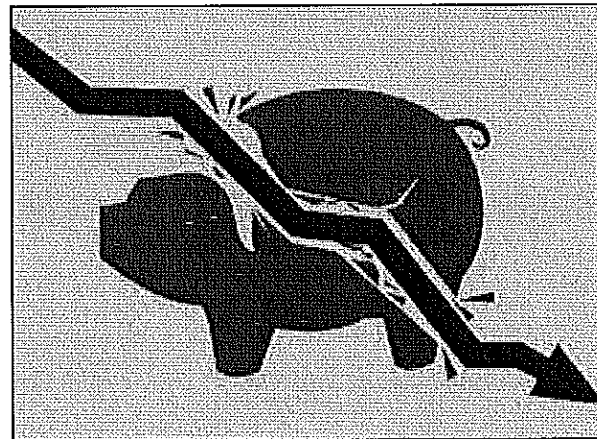
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## **K-12 Mega-Merger Folds 5 Education Companies Into a New Illuminate Education**

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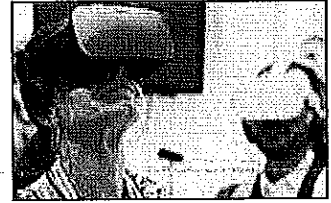
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Diversity in education company leadership and the workforce helps vendors understand educational "context," explains an Oakland, Calif., schools official. [Preview this article on EdWeek Market Brief.](#)

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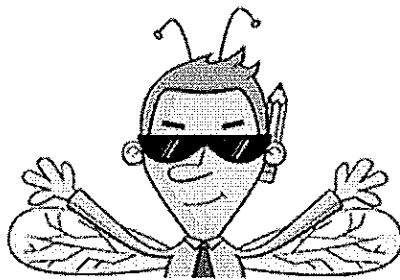
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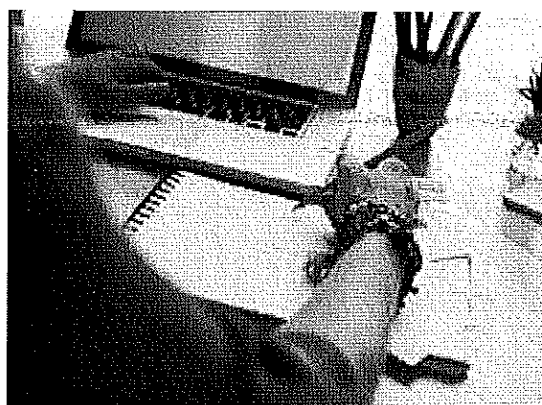
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By Adam Tyner

## OPINION

### **Where education reform goes from here**

By Michael J. Petrilli

After two decades of mostly-forward movement and many big wins, the last few years have been a tough patch for education reform. But this is no time to declare defeat. It's not just that America's children, especially those growing up in poverty, depend on us to improve their schools dramatically, lest they be sentenced to a life of low-wage jobs and lagging social mobility. Or that the country will continue to suffer from political and socioeconomic divisions and dwindling global competitiveness if we don't better prepare young people for brighter futures. It's also that we might be throwing in the towel prematurely. [Read more.](#)

### **Performance frameworks should account for student mobility**

By Rob Kremer and Matt Wicks



There's been much debate in education policy circles of late about whether it's appropriate for states and charter authorizers to base school accountability actions solely upon the performance ratings derived from states' ESSA accountability frameworks. The authors of this essay, who both work at Pearson, strongly favor this framework-based approach. States should take care, however, to ensure that their systems accurately measure the performance of all types of schools. Recent research indicates that key metrics in those accountability frameworks—especially student-growth calculations—can be inaccurate when applied to schools with high levels of student mobility, due to the fact that many youngsters experience temporary achievement declines when they change schools. [Read more.](#)

### **Could education technology plus student motivation yield game-changing results?**

By Adam Tyner

In a 2014 TED Talk, David Ray, the former dean of the University of Oklahoma Honors College, reflects frankly on his nearly forty years of experience teaching undergraduates with a range of motivation, and touches on the importance of drive. Though many students may be working hard at other things—taking multiple jobs to support families or to pay for ever higher tuition—Dr. Ray argues convincingly that students are working much less on their studies than in the past. But education reform, especially with advances in education technology, can help fix that. [Read more.](#)

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### **Has the high school diploma lost all meaning?**

By Brandon L. Wright

Late last year, an NPR affiliate threw cold water on a D.C. high school's putative success in graduating 64 percent of its seniors and earning every senior, regardless of whether they graduated, college acceptance. More than half of those cap-and-gown-wearers tallied at least

sixty days of unexcused school absences, and the school's test scores indicated that its students were seriously unprepared for higher education. But this isn't a unique case. It's an extreme example of a nationwide trend in which we've simultaneously lowered the bar for high school graduation. The nationwide rate is at an all-time high—while pushing for more high school graduates to attend college. It's absurd and untenable, and things must change. [Read more.](#)

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#### **Can school accountability policies improve working conditions?**

By Aaron Churchill

A–F school rating systems are hotly debated across the country. Proponents usually argue that they provide clear information that parents and communities can easily digest, while also motivating schools to improve. Critics often claim that such blunt ratings blur key elements of school performance and can damage schools' reputations and demoralize educators. A recent study by Rebecca Dizon-Ross examines the impacts of A–F school accountability in New York City on teacher turnover and quality, as estimated by value added measures. It finds, among other things, that the city's policy reforms reduced teacher turnover and likely increased teacher quality in the city's lowest-rated schools. [Read more.](#)

#### STUDY

### **Evaluating Tennessee's school-turnaround efforts**

By Jessica Poiner

Since 2012, Tennessee has taken a unique approach to intervening in struggling schools. With the goal of turning around the lowest-performing 5 percent of schools, officials introduced two separate models: the Achievement School District and Innovation Zones. The former is a state-run district that directly manages some low-performing schools and turns over others to select charter management organizations; the latter are clusters of struggling schools that remain under district control but are granted greater autonomy and financial support to implement interventions. A new study examines the impacts of both initiatives after five years of implementation. Overall, the results for ASD schools were disappointing, but those of iZone schools were positive. [Read more.](#)

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- The executive director of the PIE (Policy Innovators in Education) Network steps down after more than a decade at the helm. —[74 Million](#)

- "Partisan identity is now stronger and more meaningful for many Americans than race, ethnicity, or religious denomination—and is viewed as a more legitimate justification for discrimination." —[AEI](#)
- Paymon Rouhanifard is stepping down as Camden's superintendent, but there's a lot to learn from his politically savvy tenure: "Camden didn't need a messiah. It needed a pragmatist." —[Politico](#)
- The Trump administration will encourage "race-neutral" admissions policies in education, reversing an Obama-era approach. —[Education Writers Association](#)
- Ohio's legislature passed e-school bills last week in an attempt to clean up a "broken system." —[Columbus Dispatch](#)
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## **Access to gifted education is a social justice issue**

By Rudy Crew

The world is beset by inequality, argues the president of Medgar Evers College. But education leaders can help mitigate this by creating a more level playing field that enables minority and low-income students to be identified and served in gifted education programs. There are lots of disadvantaged students? 4children of color, children whose first language is not English, children living in poverty—who can't access gifted programs. Some don't know about them, others are unfairly and inaccurately viewed as unqualified. But many of these children have latent abilities that may never be realized. Developing them and encouraging more and better identification can help change that. [Read more.](#)

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## **Don't jump for Janus**

By Dale Chu

The recent *Janus* ruling was one of the most significant by the U.S. Supreme Court in years, especially with regard to education. Conservatives generally celebrated the outcome, but it's wrong to suppose that it will lead to unions' demise. Yes, the high court's striking down of agency fees will result in fewer members and less money. But unions will still have collective bargaining rights and, as a result, much continued influence in education politics at the local level. [Read more.](#)

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## **Ohio's dual credit landscape: A primer**

By Jessica Poiner

With college tuition at an all-time high, Ohio families are increasingly interested in finding ways to save on costs. Dual credit is a promising solution because it offers students the chance to earn high school and college credits simultaneously. The state has a plethora of dual-credit options, but some are better known to families than others. This article gives a quick overview of the three types of Ohio offerings: awarded credit, transcribed credit, and articulated credit. [Read more.](#)

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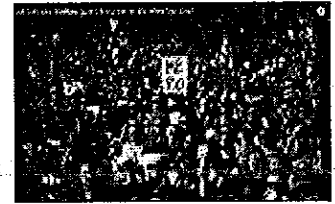
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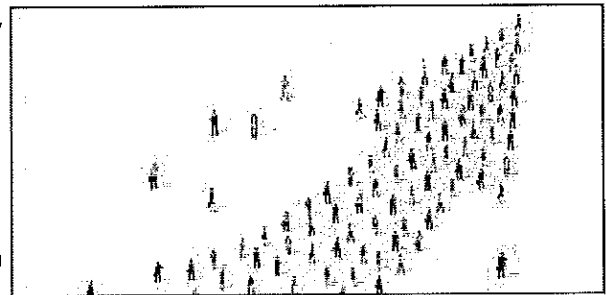
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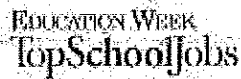
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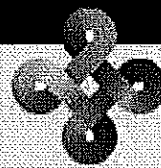
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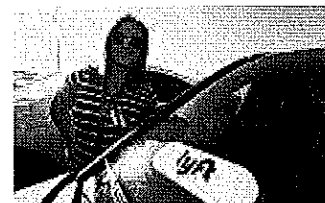


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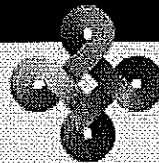
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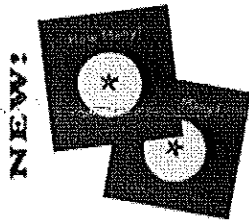
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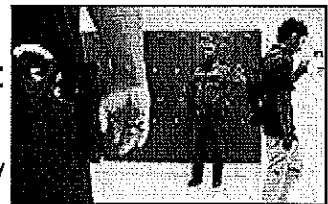


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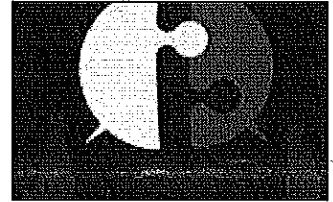
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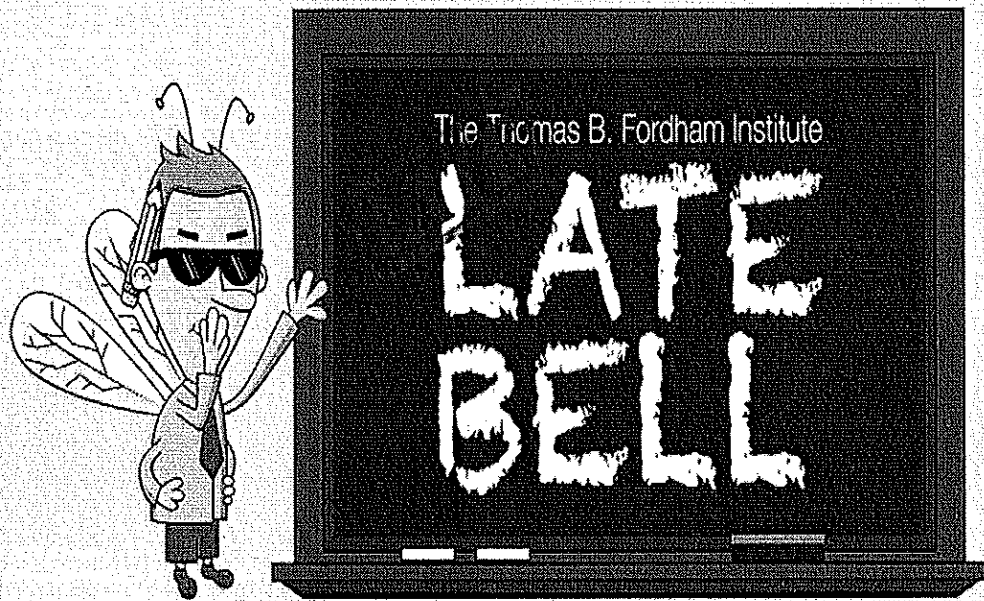
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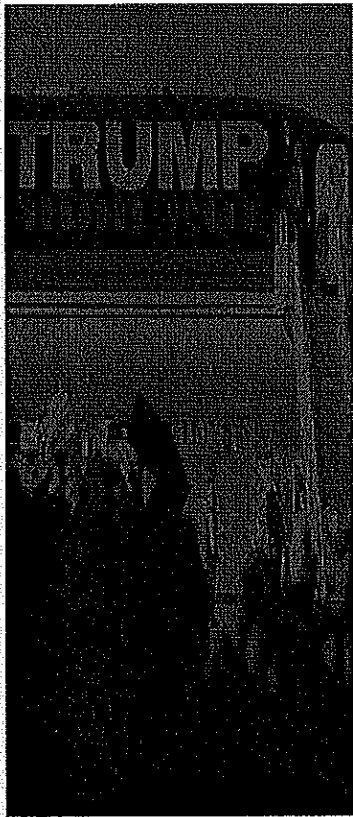
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"It doesn't go from teachers being all powerful to being not powerful at all. It's just a matter of degrees. They will still remain influential even in these right-to-work states."

As sobriety over issues of Trump supporters settles in, I'm hoping for the same rethinking among ed reformers.

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**Michael J. Petrilli | U.S. News &  
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"We have to count all the students in a school, and schools need to be encouraging people to take the assessment. If an exception is built in, it doesn't take a lot of imagination to think of a scenario where low-performing students are approached and told, 'Hey, you have an option. You don't really have to take these tests.'"

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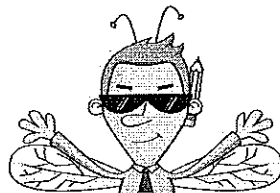
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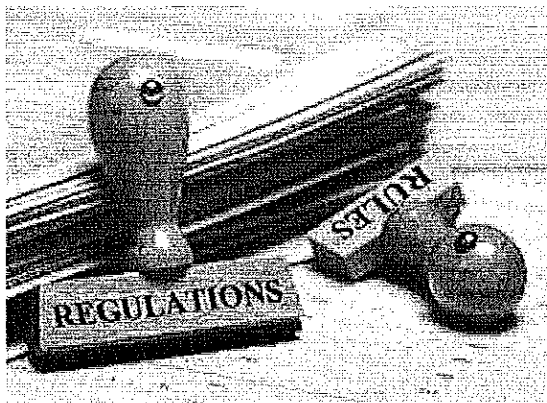
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## OPINION

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**The phoniest statistic in education**  
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There's no evidence that high school students are any better prepared than they used to be. They're just graduating in higher numbers. If states and districts want to claim credit for this meteoric rise, the onus is on them to prove that their diplomas are worth more than the paper they're printed on.

**The case for maximum state flexibility on ESSA accountability**  
By Michael J. Petrilli

Public comments about regulations that might be "helpful or necessary" to ESSA implementation are due to the Department of Education by January 21. The agency should ask itself at every turn: Is additional regulatory language absolutely necessary? There's no "one best system" for

school accountability, so we shouldn't close off good ideas that the states might develop now or in the future.

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too much of young students, debating the role of federal regulation under ESSA, and computers' effect on the writing gap. Mike Petrilli



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#### **Louisiana's voucher program and student achievement**

By Amber M. Northern, Ph.D., and Michael J. Petrilli

This study has a simple takeaway: Some private schools in Louisiana stink. And maybe the state's rules are encouraging the good schools to stay away. But without a testing requirement, we would never know which schools are boosting achievement and which ones aren't.

### REPORT

#### **Quality Counts 2016**

By Robert Pondiscio

This report, now in its twentieth year, has always sought to track state progress in implementing standards-based reform. The new year promises to usher in a new era of state dynamism, particularly on accountability. Perhaps that will shake things up in the not-too-distant future.

REPORT

## AP at scale: Public school students in Advanced Placement

By Kevin Mahnken

Participation in Advanced Placement courses has increased by over 500 percent since 1990. Thankfully, that expansion isn't watering down the program's rigor. But we have to do a much better job of preparing underrepresented student groups for AP classes long before they reach high school.

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foes remain recalcitrant. (Ninety thousand students attend schools operated by the Archdiocese of New York, which should ad  
has proven surprisingly amenable to collaboration with religious partners. Cardinal Timothy Dolan, perhaps the most eloquent

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ectively make the United States a "right-to-work" nation. It may be the most important case decided in this term, but don't ass

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## **America's most disadvantaged students need real accountability, not ideology**

By John White

Absent better systemic answers than those offered by ideologues, publicly funded private school choice for all children will continue to be more of a factor in legislative debates and scholarly conferences than in the homes and neighborhoods of America's youth.

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## **Why parents don't need to fear Common Core math**

By Kevin Mahnken

When it comes to assisting kids with their math assignments, parents can afford to do less. Teachers, with years of training and expertise in curriculum design, are capable of handling Common Core-aligned math curricula.

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## ***Friedrichs* teachers are paying more than just union dues**

By Leslie Kan

Teachers spend much more of their paychecks on pensions than on agency fees—without receiving much in return. In some states, over half of teachers will leave before their pension benefits equal their contributions. And in many states, the future looks even worse for tomorrow's educators.

FYI

## **Accountability under ESSA: Announcing a Fordham Institute design competition**

Under ESSA, states enjoy the opportunity—and challenge—of creating school rating systems that vastly improve upon the model required by NCLB. To this end, we hereby declare an

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## Ohio by the Numbers - December 2015

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### OHIO'S ECONOMY ENDS 2015 ON HIGH NOTE

**December's jobs report is positive overall, but energy sector is reeling**

COLUMBUS, OHIO--Ohio's labor market enjoyed a strong finish to 2015. Total employment rose by 15,000 jobs, the largest one-month increase since January. However, jobs numbers for the mining sector, which includes oil and gas, reflect the negative impact of low commodity prices and costly regulations.

"December marks the third consecutive month of labor force participation rate increases," said Joe Nichols, a policy analyst at The Buckeye Institute's Economic Research Center. "Employment grew strongly in the final month of the year. However, the good news did not impact everyone as the mining sector experienced more layoffs and is down 11.5% from the previous year. Oil, gas, and coal are in dire straits. In 2016, policymakers should be careful not to kick this industry while it's down. Despite hard times, the energy industry holds plenty of promise for Ohio if bad policy doesn't get in its way."

**Key results:**

- **Unemployment rate.** The jobless rate rose to 4.7% in November, up from 4.5% a month earlier, but down from 5.1% a year earlier.
- **Labor force participation rate.** The percentage of working-age Ohioans who have a job or are looking for work rose to 62.5% in November, up from 62.4% a month earlier.
- **Total jobs.** Ohio added 15,200 total jobs compared to the previous month (seasonally adjusted) and 82,700 jobs from a year earlier.
- **Private jobs.** Ohio added 15,900 private sector jobs from the previous month and 82,000 jobs from a year earlier.
- **Government jobs.** Federal, state, and local governments lost 700 jobs from the previous month, but remain 700 jobs higher from a year earlier.

Nationally, right-to-work states continue to outperform forced unionization states (including Ohio) in private sector employment, growing by 9.8% compared to 7.9% in forced union states.

Overall, Ohio had a total of 5,451,500 workers holding jobs that paid wages or salaries in December, according to federal data.

The good and the bad in December:

### Winners

- **Nondurable goods manufacturing.** The industry added 3,300 jobs, up 1.5%.
- **Wholesale trade.** The sector gained 2,500 jobs, a 1.1% increase.

### Losers

- **Mining and logging.** The industry saw a 1.4% drop.
- **Arts, entertainment, and recreation.** This sector employed 2,300 fewer people, a loss of 3.1% of its workforce, a decline that appears to be weather-related.

To view the full report, click [here](#).

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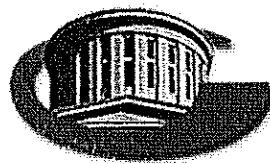
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**Energy Companies Remain Hopeful For March Ruling On PPAs**

For more than a year and a half, AEP and FirstEnergy have waited for the Public Utilities Commission's orders on their controversial Power Purchase Agreements - decisions that have been expected to be made in the first quarter of 2016.

But with just one more meeting of the PUCO scheduled for this month, it's possible the wait for one or both decisions could stretch into the second quarter.

The PUCO is scheduled to meet just once more this month - a March 30 meeting for which the agenda has not yet been finalized. The commission will not meet March 23.

Whether the agenda will include one or both cases hasn't yet been determined, but PUCO spokesman Matt Schilling said any belief the ruling will come in the first quarter has been conjecture.

"For what it's worth the commission's never indicated when a decision may be," Mr. Schilling said. "There is lots of speculation out there, but we don't know."

The companies involved and their opponents have been anticipating first quarter orders. Should a decision not come in two weeks' time, the cases a year and a half or more in the making would be poised to continue.

The utilities are hopeful a decision arrives sooner, rather than later. In FirstEnergy's case, for example, the company has two energy auctions scheduled in April under the Electric Security Plan scheduled to begin June 1.

"So we're very hopeful we can get an order in this case so we can proceed with these auctions," spokesman Doug Colafella said. "Because as of June 1, we don't have power supply purchased for our customers."

"I think everyone is hopeful a decision may come as of next meeting. But obviously it's up to commission to put it on the agenda."

AEP spokeswoman Tammy Ridout said the company is "hopeful the commission will issue an order quickly."

"They have all the evidence in hand and we think they should approve the settlement agreement we've proposed," she said. "It's been a long process and we're ready for it to move forward,"